

# FACT SHEET



## NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION LAFARGE CORPORATION PERMIT FREDONIA, KANSAS

DECEMBER 1999

**BACKGROUND:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a permit to the Lafarge Corporation in Fredonia, Kansas, to burn hazardous waste as fuel. The permit allows Lafarge to continue burning the wastes for fuel in its two cement kilns at the Fredonia plant. The permit, issued under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), also requires Lafarge to look for possible hazardous waste releases to the environment from past waste management practices.

**COMMENTS ON DRAFT PERMIT:** A draft permit for the Lafarge facility was proposed by EPA, February 21, 1999. An informal availability session was held in Fredonia on March 26, 1999, to discuss and answer questions on the draft permit followed by a formal public hearing held that evening. EPA prepared a revised draft permit which was available April 8, 1999 until the comment period ended on May 3, 1999. EPA received comments on a variety of issues related to the draft permit, such as air emissions, health concerns and risk assessment. All comments were reviewed and considered in the final decision to issue the permit.

### Getting Permit Information

A copy of the *Response to Comments - Draft Hazardous Waste Management Permit, Lafarge Corporation, Fredonia, Kansas, RCRA ID# KSD007148034* was mailed to all persons who submitted comments. A copy of the Response to Comments or the final permit can be obtained by calling EPA's Project Manager for Lafarge. Requests can also be made through Region 7's toll-free Environmental Action Line, 1-800-223-0425.

The EPA Project Manager for Lafarge is Ken Herstowski. Written requests should be addressed to him at EPA Region 7, Air, RCRA and Toxics Division, 901 N. 5<sup>th</sup>, Kansas City, KS 66101 or by email to [herstowski.ken@epa.gov](mailto:herstowski.ken@epa.gov). His telephone number is 913-551-7631.

**PERMIT APPEAL:** An appeal of EPA's decision to issue a permit to Lafarge must be made by January 18, 2000. Any person who filed comments on the draft permit or participated in the public hearing may appeal the permit decision. Persons who did not file comments or participate in the public hearing may only appeal changes from the draft permit. Procedures for appealing the permit decision may be found in 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 124.19. Information on the procedures for an appeal of the permit are available from the form of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) prepared by EPA's Environmental Appeals Board website at: <http://www.epa.gov/eab/eabfaq.htm>. Copies of the FAQ can also be requested from the EPA Project Manager.